



**135 IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA
CHANDIGARH**

**CRWP-5419-2025 (O&M)
Date of Decision: 23.05.2025**

SEETU RANI AND ANOTHER

...Petitioners

V/S

STATE OF PUNJAB AND OTHERS

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE HARPREET SINGH BRAR

Present: Mr. Gurbinder Singh Sidhu, Advocate
for the petitioners.

Mr. Subhash Godara, Addl. AG Punjab.

HARPREET SINGH BRAR J. (Oral)

CRM-W-734-2025

This is an application under Rule 3-A(I) Chapter VI Part B Vol. V
of High Court Rules and Orders for grant of leave to file the present petition.

Allowed as prayed for.

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This criminal writ petition has been filed under Article 226 of
Constitution of India seeking issuance of a writ in the nature of mandamus
thereby directing the official respondents No. 2 and 3 for protection of life
and liberty of the petitioners and not to interfere in their peaceful married life
at the behest of private respondents No. 4 to 8.

The learned counsel for the petitioners contends that the petitioners
have married against the wishes of private respondents No. 4 to 8 and they
claim themselves to be major and seek protection to their life and liberty.
They apprehend danger from private respondents No. 4 to 8. They have
placed on record marriage certificate (Annexure P-3) to substantiate their
claim. The petitioners have also submitted a representation dated 20.05.2025
(Annexure P-5) to respondent No.2 but no action has been taken so far.

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Notice of motion to official respondents only.

Mr. Subhash Godara, Addl. A.G., Punjab, who is present in Court accepts notice for the official respondents. Counsel for the petitioners is directed to supply a copy of complete paper book to the counsel appearing for the State during the course of the day.

Without commenting on the validity of the marriage allegedly performed by the petitioners and entering upon an exercise to evaluate the evidentiary value of the documents placed on the file, I dispose of this petition with direction to respondent No.2 to decide the representation of the petitioners (Annexure P-5) within a period of one week from the date of receipt of a copy of this order and grant them protection, if there is any threat to their life and liberty in accordance with law.

It is made clear that this order shall not be taken to protect the petitioners from legal action for violation of law, if any committed by them.

23.05.2025
Ajay Goswami

(HARPREET SINGH BRAR)
JUDGE

<i>Whether speaking/reasoned</i>	<i>Yes/No</i>
<i>Whether reportable</i>	<i>Yes/No</i>